

## 2008 TENNESSEE HUNTING & TRAPPING SEASONS

### SMALL GAME HUNTING SEASONS

SPECIES	OPENS	CLOSES	DAILY BAG
Squirrel (fox, red, gray)	Aug. 23	Feb. 28	10
Spring squirrel (2009)	May 9	Jun. 14	10
Grouse (closed west of I-65)	Oct. 11	Feb. 28	3
Rabbit	Nov. 8	Feb. 28	5
Quail	Nov. 8	Feb. 28	6
Dove <sup>1</sup> (Opens at noon on Sep. 1)	Sep. 1	Sep. 26	15 <sup>1</sup>
	Oct. 11	Oct. 26	15 <sup>1</sup>
	Dec. 19	Jan. 15	15 <sup>1</sup>
Woodcock <sup>1</sup>	Oct. 25	Dec. 8	3
Wilson snipe <sup>1</sup>	Nov. 14	Feb. 28	8
Crow (Fri./Sat./Sun.)	Jun. 1	Feb. 28	no limit
Canada goose <sup>1</sup>	Sep. 1	Sep. 15	5
Wood duck/Teal <sup>1</sup>	Sep. 13	Sep. 17	4 <sup>1</sup>

**Raccoon/Opossum<sup>1</sup> (East Tennessee)** - Opens at sunset Nov. 7. Closes at sunrise Feb. 15. 2 per person, per night.<sup>1</sup>

**Raccoon/Opossum<sup>1</sup> (Remainder of state)** - Opens at sunset Sep. 19. Closes at sunrise Feb. 15. 2 per person, per night.<sup>1</sup>

**Armadillo, beaver, coyote, groundhog, English sparrow, nutria, pigeon, starling, striped skunk** - Open year-round, no limit

**Bobcat<sup>1</sup>, fox<sup>1</sup>, mink, muskrat, otter<sup>1</sup>, spotted skunk, weasel** - Opens on Nov. 21. Closes on Feb. 15. No limit, except bobcat which is limited to 1 per day.

### TRAPPING SEASONS

**Beaver, coyote, groundhog, nutria** - Open year-round, no limit

**Bobcat<sup>1</sup>, fox<sup>1</sup>, mink, muskrat, opossum, otter<sup>1</sup>, raccoon, spotted skunk, striped skunk, weasel** - Opens on Nov. 21. Closes on Feb. 15. No limit.

### FALL TURKEY HUNTING

**Quota Hunts<sup>1</sup>** - Nov. 15-21, Dec. 15-19.

**Non-quota Hunts** - All counties with a turkey quota gun hunt are open for archery-only turkey hunting during archery-only deer seasons. 1 turkey, either sex. Dogs permitted on gun hunts only.

### SPRING TURKEY HUNTING

**Statewide Spring Turkey Season** - Mar. 28–May 10, 2009. 1 bearded turkey per day, not to exceed 4 per season. Turkeys taken on all quota hunts and specially designated WMAs are bonus turkeys.

**Statewide Young Sportsman Hunt<sup>1</sup>** - March 21-22, 2009. Ages 6-16. 1 bearded turkey which counts toward statewide bag unless designated as a bonus bird.

### HUNTING HOURS

**Crows, doves, ducks** (including the early duck season), **geese, gallinules, rails, turkey, woodcock, Wilson snipe** - One-half hour before sunrise to sunset, except for dove hunting on opening day when shooting hours will begin at noon. **All other game species** (except fox chasing and raccoon, opossum, and bullfrogs) - One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Fox chasing, furbearer trapping, raccoon, opossum, and bullfrog hunting may be done day or night.

<sup>1</sup> See *2008 Tennessee Hunting and Trapping Guide* for special regulations and restrictions.

## WHITE-TAILED DEER HUNTING UNITS AND BAG LIMITS

The statewide buck bag limit is three antlered deer. No more than two antlered deer may be taken in Unit B. Only one antlered deer may be taken per day.

### UNIT A

Season Type	Season Dates	Antlered Bag Limit	Antlerless <sup>2</sup> Bag Limit
Archery (includes crossbows)	Sep. 27 - Oct. 24, 2008 Oct. 27-31, 2008 Nov. 10-21, 2008 Dec. 15-19, 2008	3	4
Muzzleloader and Archery	Nov. 1-9, 2008 Dec. 8-14, 2008		4
Gun, Muzzleloader and Archery	Nov. 22 - Dec. 7, 2008 Dec. 20, 2008 - Jan. 11, 2009		See <i>2008 Hunting Guide</i> for antlerless hunts.
Young Sportsman	Oct. 25-26, 2008 Jan. 17-18, 2009		2 2

### UNIT B

Season Type	Season Dates	Bag Limits
Archery (includes crossbows)	Sep. 27 - Oct. 24, 2008 Oct. 27-31, 2008 Nov. 10-21, 2008	2 deer, either sex
Muzzleloader and Archery	Nov. 1-9, 2008 Dec. 12-14, 2008	1 deer, antlered only. This deer may be either sex Nov. 1-5. 1 deer, antlered only
Gun, Muzzleloader and Archery	Nov. 22-30, 2008 Dec. 20, 2008 - Jan. 7, 2009	2 deer, antlered only See <i>2008 Hunting Guide</i> for antlerless <sup>2</sup> hunts.
Young Sportsman	Oct. 25-26, 2008 Jan. 17-18, 2009	1 deer, either sex 1 deer, either sex

### UNIT L

Season Type	Season Dates	Antlered Bag Limit	Antlerless <sup>2</sup> Bag Limit
Archery (includes crossbows)	Sep. 27 - Oct. 24, 2008 Oct. 27-31, 2008 Nov. 10-21, 2008 Dec. 15-19, 2008	3	3/day
Muzzleloader and Archery	Nov. 1-9, 2008 Dec. 8-14, 2008		3/day
Gun, Muzzleloader and Archery	Nov. 22 - Dec. 7, 2008 Dec. 20, 2008 - Jan. 11, 2009		3/day
Young Sportsman	Oct. 25-26, 2008 Jan. 17-18, 2009		3/day

<sup>2</sup> See *2008 Tennessee Hunting and Trapping Guide* for antlerless permit requirements.

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